Albuquerque Section IEEE Meeting

- Time and Date: 11:30AM, Tuesday May 28th, 2019
- Meeting Place: Yanni’s Mediterranean Restaurant & OPA, 3109 Central Avenue Southeast, 87106

Members in Attendance (7):
- Jason Neely – Chair
- Harjit Ahluwalia – Sigma Xi, Life Member Vice Chair
- Lee Rashkin – Secretary
- Mike Jackovich – Member
- David Rosewater – Member
- Skyler Nix – Member
- Khandakar Nusrat – Member

Lee – Secretary
- Minutes were reviewed, amended and then accepted
- Outstanding Action Items were discussed

Discussion:
- Treasurer Report – Jason for Gilberto
  - April ending balance was discussed
  - May current balance was discussed
  - Outstanding transactions were discussed
- Government Relations talk – Skyler
  - Fairly last minute with only ~3 weeks notice
  - 21 people in attendance
    - All but 1 or 2 paid for dinner
    - Some interested students unable to attend due to finals
    - Gap in cost and pay mostly due to the lower cost for students
      - Skyler willing to make up shortfall
- Overall a good talk
  - Creates opportunities to go to Santa Fe and talk to New Mexico representatives and staffers
    - Jason: next meeting is in August, so maybe set up for September
    - Harjit: Can we use the same resources to invite the Governor to next year’s Award’s Banquette?
      - Education Secretary?
      - Provost?
  - Could also get IEEE staffer Russ Harison to come out for a talk as well around the August time frame
    - Has his own funds for such activities
      - Jason will try and get the provided slides on to the web
      - Skyler will try and obtain guidelines on IEEE policy positions so the ExCom can personalize them to New Mexico membership
- Solar Splash
  - Event held on June 12th-14th
- UNM will be there as well if they can get the boat back together in time
- 12 applicants
- Extra judges are welcome
  - Women in Engineering – Nusrat
    - Not many updates
    - Talked about a conference in Austin, but the date was too close to make plans in time
    - Using vTools
    - Are there WiE events at Rising Stars?
      - Conference does have a diversity focus, but no WiE event at the moment
      - Skyler could suggest a WiE Affinity group training
    - Should check whether student section could use Sandia Interns for members
  - Southwest Area Meeting
    - In Tucson in October
    - Skyler will help provide eNotice about upcoming Area events since communication to section has not been great
  - Intersociety Group – Mike
    - In contact with Dave Thompson
    - Interested in the Sigma Xi talk schedule for next year
    - Sent announcement on talk about gold
    - Had a tour of a Brewery in May and talk from a Chemical Engineer
    - Possible speaker from director of New Mexico Spaceport
    - Next meeting in August
  - New Business
    - Jason: Resume Workshop – idea from Rachid Darbali of UPRM
      - Skyler interested
      - Mike available for critiquing
    - Skyler: Requests filtered member list of lapsed members in area for retention drive
    - R6 awards: Should work on getting section awardees nominated for the regional awards, Harjit and Skyler will work towards compiling
      - Collected $30 on bill